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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on October 5, 2004, Applicant submits this Amendment and Response. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections made in the Office action in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Applicant believes that no fees other than the one-month extension fee and Information Disclosure Statement fee are due with this submission, but the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

AMENDMENTS

Prior to further examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows, without prejudice:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this Amendment and Response.